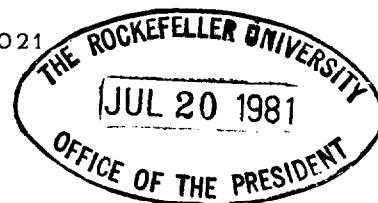




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Dr. Thomas Malone,
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Dear Dr. Malone:

I should like to add my deep concerns to those of Professor Oleg Jordetzky, expressed in his letter to you of 7/7/81. It is shocking that congressional action, embodied in Amendment 211 to PL9712, should be nullified by administrative action within NIH.

I have participated for 25 years in the struggle to develop and fund an Electronics and Computer Instrumentation Resource at Rockefeller University. There was a time when these facilities could be supported largely by institutional funds, but, as you are not doubt aware, this is no longer the case even at well endowed institutions. At a time when national concern is being voiced over the adequacy of our reserves of biomedical engineering capability, it is particularly distressing to find that such vital resources as the BRP continue to be eroded, despite the clear action and intent of Congress.

I urge you and your colleagues to reconsider the restitution of the BRP funds proposed in the above congressional amendment to PL9712.

Sincerely yours,

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